PRICE FIVE CENTS.

LOOP AMENDMENTS ARE CRITICISED.

Insertion of Fifty-Mile Radius Clause Declared to Be Class Legislation.

SERIOUSLY AFFECTS COAL

Transfer Man Thinks Section Naming Tolls to Be Charged Is Faulty in Construction.

Study of the House of Delegates amend-ments to the Terminal loop bill has given rise to criticism of certain points in their construction.

John M. Allen, who is connected with the transfer business in the city and has kept in close touch with the situation, thinks that the provision of the amendments naming what charges the Terminal shall make in class legislation. He refers to the section which first de-

fines the test by which a commission shall determine whether or not the Terminal Company has annulled the arbitrary. It then states that the rates named shall ap-ply except within a radius of fifty miles of St. Louis. The questioned part of the sec-

tion reads;
"Excepting, also, upon all shipments originating on the east side of the river within a radius of fifty miles of East St. Louis for any point on the lines of the Terminal Railroad Association within the city of St. Louis, and all shipments originating on the west side of the river within a radius of fifty miles for any point on the lines of the Terminal Railroad Association on the east side of the river, in all of which said asso-ciation shall be entitled to charges of tolls not to exceed 20 cents per ton on all goods so shirped, or a maximum of 20 cents on any single consignment, whether under ex-isting railroad regulations any shipment of goods made from any point east of the river may be consigned directly to the city of St. Louis on a through bill of lading, naming each city as the terminal point of such shipment."
"Obviously," said Mr. Allen, "this draws

a circle round St. Louis, and says to the Terminal Company: 'Here, you can charge a bridge rate for carrying goods enamating from this district across the bridge, but you cannot charge upon any goods enamating from points outside the circle.' CUTS OFF COAL MINES.

"What does this do? It practically cuts off all the coal mines in the St. Louis district from this market. For the mine fiftyone miles away does not have this charge, while the mine forty-nine miles away does. Consequently the mine forty-nine miles away could not compete with the mine fiftymiles away. I call that class legisla-

"It further says that within this radius a charge may be made 'not to exceed 20 cents per ton on all goods so shipped, or a maximum of 20 cents on any single consignment. "That word 'maximum' cannot be intended. If it were 'maximum,' it would mean that only 20 cents could be charged on a that only 30 cents could be charged on a trainload of stock, which often is a consignment. If the word intended is 'minimum,' why the minimum now is lower than that. It is 10 cents. Ten cents is the charge from which figure it increases at 2 cents a

"I can't see how the coal men can stand for such an amendment as that. It would almply drive East Side firms within the radius out of business."

PREDICTS LARGE WHEAT CROP FOR TEXAS FARMERS.

Agricultural Expert Highly Pleased With Results Attnined at Experimental Farm.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Dallas, Tex., July 11.-Professor M. A. Carleton, cerealist of the Department of Agriculture at Washington, spent last night in Dallas after attending the Texas Farmers' Congress at Bryan and started today for Kansas on an official mission.

While in Texas Professor Carleton in

pected much of the wheat- crop of the State. He was highly pleased with the yield and quality. He agrees with the grain authorities of Texas that the crop will equal if it does not eclipse the banner crop of 1900, which was 23,000,000 bushels. Professor Carleton visited the Government ex- | cases. perimental farm at New Hope, ten miles from Dallas. He found macaroni wheat Algerian barley seventy-four bushels, while formerir common barley

thrashed out only twenty-five bushels, This Dallas County experimental farm, he said, will be enlarged by the Government next year. Three new ones also to be located in the State, one at Amarillo, one at fessor Carleton predicts a grand future for grain growing in Texas as a result of the Government's experimental farms.

long ago, when there was no sale for wheats grown in the Dakotas. The mills refused to handle them and the elevators are to testify as to the character of Sena-refused to accept them. The Government tor Sullivan as it is not known what concame along and helped to solve the wheat nection they could have with the case oth problem in the Dakotas, and I predict as good results in Texas. The Government is interested in dry-weather wheats for Texas, and we want to experiment in the western and dryer parts of the State. The macaroni wheat is adapted only to dry weather."

CYCLONIC WIND SWEEPS THROUGH CARBONDALE.

Houses Wrecked, Buildings Unroofed, Outhouses Shattered and Orchards Blown Level With the Earth.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

swept over Carbondale this afternoon, doing a large amount of damage. The storm came will take the place of the usual religious

B. Lee, principal of the negro schools. which was nearing completion, is a total wreck. The house of Thomas Clark was

wreck. The house of Thomas Clark was taken from its foundation.

The brick residence of City Clerk Frank M. Caldwell was unroofed, the second story wrecked and part of the roof blown through the ceiling.

Barns and outhouses in the country along the part of the storm were blown fown.

the path of the storm were blown down. Shade trees in all parts of the city suf-fered, and the damage to fruit orchards will be felt for several years to come. The it not of a serious nature.

AMERICAN GIRL'S KISSES PUT SIR THOMAS TO FLIGHT.

Gertrude Quinlan, Soubrette, Surprises the Famous Yachtsman by Kissing Him Three Times Before a Large Crowd-Lipton Takes to His Heels, but Returns and Invites Whole Company to Din-



MISS GERTRUDE QUINLAN. American girl who kissed Sir Thomas Lipton.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, July II -All yachtsdom is capied by August Belmont and friends were laughing to-day over the confusion into his private flag and ensigns, bearing his which Sir Thomas Lipton was thrown last night at Manhattan Beach, when, accepting an invitation to go behind the scenes, he

ticularly tickled at the discomfiture of the gallant knight, and between snickers say It serves him right; he ought to be married. It all came about in this way: Sir Thomas and 900 members of the Atlantic Yacht Club, whose guest he was, attended the performance of "The Sultan of Sulu" at Manhattan Beach Inst night.

a shamrock in the center.

Hung in different parts of the house were

pennants of previous cup winners. The flag | Castle of Commodore of the Atlantic Yacht Club | Louiz.

INDICTED SENATORS PREPARING FOR TRIAL.

Farris, Sullivan, Matthews and Smith Announce They Will Be Ready

Jefferson City, Mo., July 11.-The attornevs for the defense in the boodle trials, which are to come up here in the Circuit Court July 28, are busy preparing for the

Senators Farris, Sullivan, Matthews and Smith appounce through their attorneys thrashing out thirty-five bushels to the that they will be ready for trial, Subpoenas were sent out to-day on application of At-turney Pope for the summoning of wit-

The witnesses summened to-day are: Frank Edwards, J. J. Williams, C. A. De Witt, D. F. Thompson and G. A. McCafferty of Christian County, and Joel F. Short, John W. McKee and J. A. Chase of

Wright County. testify in the The men are supres case of Senator W. P. Sullivan, who is un-"There was a time," he said, "and not der indictment on the charge of soliciting a bribe while a member of the State Senate. It is presumed that these witnesses tor Sullivan, as it is not known what conerwise. They are all from the neighborhood of Senator Sullivan's home in Chris-

FIRST REGIMENT IN CAMP.

tian County.

Annual Encampment of Illinois National Guard Ushered In.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Springfield, Ill., July 11.-The \$00 men com prising the First Regiment, Illinois National Guard, pitched camp this morning at Camp Lincoln, ushering in the annual encampment of the State troops. To-morrow will Carbondale, Ill., July 11.—A cyclonic wind be the first real day of the encampment.

wept over Carbondale this afternoon, doing A sacred concert by the regimental band

from the northeast and was preceded by an extremely heavy atmosphere.

In that part of the city where building activity is greatest the damage was most pronounced. The residence of Professor T.

B. Lee principal of the negro schools.

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ROCKEFELLER VISITS SPRINGS. Will Stay in Missouri Resort for

Several Weeks.

engaged at Eldorado Springs for John D. Rockefeller, who is expected within a few Mr. Rockefeller, it is stated, is going to damage cannot be estimated at this hour.

Mr. Rockefeller, it is stated, is going to ish population of that place to unite in a city Clerk Caldwell sustained injuries, the springs for his health and will remain testimonial to the effect that he behaved several weeks,

Nevada, Mo., July 11 .- Rooms have been

in other buses were Mr. Fife, E. D. Morgan, Commodere Todd and C. O. Iselin. Over Mr. Iselin's box was the ensign of was seen to beat a hasty retreat upon being heartily kissed by an American beauty.

The crews of Sir Thomas's Geet are particularly tabled at the disconfigure of the trace. an American stage, and that he was eying the experience immensely. His praise of the company's abilities was re-ceived with load cheering, and then Miss Gertrude Quinlan stepped forward. In responding to the Baronet's compli-ments, she thanked him in behalf of her commany and then suid she would like to The event drew an unusually large crowd to the playhouse from both the Oriental and Sir Thomas is tall. Miss Quinlan is not ex-

hung over the entrance. Over the box oc

to the flayhouse from both the Oriental and the Manhattan Beach hotels.

When he entered the box reserved for him there was a great outbreak of applause. He bowed in response. The enthusiasm was great. The theater was decorated throughout with flags and bunting, English and American pennants. One of the stage boxes was draped with American and English flags taken from the two Shamrocks, and another with a large flag from Erin, with a shamrock in the center.

It doesn't do to say so here."

These expressions accurately represent the differences of opinion exhibited by those who have to rely for information regarding then on the other and again squarely on the mouth. He fled, but recovered his mental equilibrium in time to send a request that he be allowed the pleasure of energial bulletis, BULLETINS REVEAL APPARENT CONTRADICTION.

Cardinal Satolli, in a conversation with the representative of the Associates Press.

Miss Quinlan formerly was with the Castle Square Opera Company at St.

YOUNG ST. LOUIS ENGINEER SHOT DOWN IN MEXICO.

Milton B. Ebbert Attacked by Uniden tofied Peon While Riding Near

Word was received yesterday from Mex ico that Milton R. Ebbert, a young St. Louis civil engineer for the Mexican Central Railroad, was shot near Monterey on the night of July 1, by an unidentified Mexican, and is dangerously wounded,

Ebbert is engineer of the new division of the railroad being built from Paredon to San Pedro. He has about 4,600 peons, and it is believed that it was one of the numher who attempted to take his life.

He was attacked while riding from one of the construction camps. The night was intensely dark and he had ridden a long distance, when a mounted Mexican appeared on the road and asked permission to accompany him.

When the two horsemen reached a clump of young trees the Mexican dropped behind and, drawing a revolver, began to fire at Mr. Ebbert. The first bullet took effect, but the wounded engineer drew his pistol and, returning the fire, forced the assailant to

Suffering from his wound, Ebbert continwas made for the second of Charles B. Eb-been captured.

Mr. Ethert is the son of Charles B. Eb-bert of No. 235 Heriatta street. He is 23 years old and has been in Mexico for sev-eral years. He is a graduate of Washington University and for several years was with the Terminal Railroad.

RIOT LEADER IS SAID TO HAVE KILLED HIMSELF.

Kishinev Atrocities to Be Investigated by Russian Department of Justice.

Berlin, July 11.-The Frankfurter Zeitung says it learns by way of Bucharest, Roumanta, that the ringleader of the Kishenev atrocities, a man named Piserjewski, has committed suicide at Kishenev because the director of the Russian Ministry of Jus-tice had arrived there, commissioned by the Czar, to make an investigation into the

horrors.
The Frankfurter Zeltung's correspondent adds that several persons previously dis-charged from arrest at Kishenev have been rearrested and that other persons morally responsible for the murders have been ar-

The Frankfurter Zeitung also says it learns from another source that former Governor Von Raaben has returned to Kishenev and is endeavoring to get the Jewcorrectly during the massacres.

POPE STILL ALIVE AFTER EIGHT DAYS' FIGHT WITH DEATH.

Physicians Now Declare That the Brave Old Pontiff May Live Fifteen Days Longer.

COURSE OF DISEASE CHECKED.

Leo XIII Was More Comfortable Yesterday Than He Had Been at Any Time During This Last Serious Sickness.

GAVE AUDIENCE TO CARDINALS.

Continues to Perfect Arrange ments for Execution of His Last Testament, Believing Death to Be Near.

The Pope continues to hold his own. A slight improvement is manifested in the primary allment, but the condition of the kidneys now gives cause for a reneveal of anxiety. This is increased by the danger of the Pontiff's heart giving out at any moment.

In a general way, however, the brave old patient may be said to be more comformble than for several days. The docters now say they would scarcely be surprised if the seesaw between life and death continues for another tifteen days.

Rome, July 11 .- A favorable bulletin issued as to the Pope's condition at 7:30 this evening, says that the Pontiff passed the day peacefully, and that his general state of health is slightly improved.

Rome, July 11, 5:20 p. m.-The Pope is still awake, but is not feeling quite so bright as he did this morning. The doc tors are now arriving at the Vatican for an early visit. In order to take into account the convenience of all concerned, including the Pope, unless new symptoms are discovered, the doctors are not likely to return to the Vatican to-night.

live to be 100," said an Italian priest in the courtyard of the Vatienn last night, as he read the latest bulletin regarding the Pope's condition.

"I don't believe this bulletin," said an-"I don't either," chimed in a third, "but

it doesn't do to say so here."

the representative of the Associates Press. told the latter that life was only kept it the tired body of the Pontiff by the con stant use of powerful stimulants, and other persons equally reliable, who saw the Pope yesterday, and who had seen him on previous days of his Biness, agree with Cardinal Satelli in saying that death has made all his ravages save separation of the soul and body.

And yet doctors announce to the public that the Pope's general condition is satisfactory.

An explanation of the apparent contradiction lies in the fact that the doctors expected his Holiness to die long before this, and now are exercising in their buile ins un excess of caution, and a comparative method of expression, which is in omprehensible, to the lay mind.

VITALITY UPSETS MEDICAL THEORIES.

Moreover, the extraordinary vitality of their patient has, so to speak, annihilated every medical theory held by doctors in Italy, so that it is scarcely surprising that Doctors Ressent, Mazzoni and Lupponi content themselves with dally recording the symptoms of progresison and retrogression which succeed each other with such baffling irregularity as to forbid the risk of making a definite prognostication for the public. In private they only disagree as to the number of days the struggle will last,

Though science may still be unable to save Pope Leo, in his present illness, it has, at least, afforded him practically a painless day. Since Saturday morning his ned on his way and reached the camp weak from the loss of blook. He was removed to the hospital at Monterey, where he is now confined. Fartles were formed and a search was made for the Mexican, but he has not been captured.

Holiness included in his pontifical routine a peaceful neep, the deration of which gave rise to some alarm, several visits from his doctors, and audience with four or five been captured. Holiness included in his pontifical routine health this Saturday would not have been an idle one.

GREAT SUPERIORITY OF THE POPE'S MIND.

The tremendous superiority of the Pon-tiff's mind over his frail frame can be judged from his actions yesterday regarding Monsignor Volopini. Tired of the insistent excuses made by those who were trying to conceal from him the fact of Monsigner Volopini's death by saying that he was ill. Pope Leo exclaimed: 'Then we must appoint a coadjutor," and he thereupon solemnly declared that Monsignor Marini should act as assistant to the man who was buried on Friday.

Doctor Lapponi paid a visit to the Pope at 7 a. m. The Pentist at first was not in a good humor, saying he could not stand remaining so many hours in bed, never having been accustomed to lie down for longer than four or five hours at a time. The doctor, however, succeeded, most patiently, in convincing him that, when persons are ill. it is necessary to change their habits, even if they seem not to be so comfortable. "But is it really necessary?" asked the

Pottiff. Doctor Lapponi replied: "It is not indispensable, but it will certainly assist our "Then," concluded the Pope, "I must do

After this, the Pontiff's face again as-Continued on Page Two.

VATICAN FACTIONS MAY UNITE ON CARDINAL SARTO.

Has Never Been Involved In Ecclesiastical Intrigues or Disputes and Is Profound Church-

SPECIAL BY CABLE TO THE NEW YORK HERALD AND THE ST. LOUIS REPUBLIC Rome, July 11.-The remark of Pope Leo, made in April of last year, when he pracically prophesied the election of Cardinal Sarto as his successor, is now being serious-

The remark was made in the course of a conversation between the Pope and Father Lorenzo Perosi, the Italian composer. The Pope asked Pather Perosi for news concerning Cardinal Giuseppe Carto, the Patriarch of Venice, for whom the Pope ex-pressed much admiration, and thus admon-

he will be able to do much for you. We irmly believe he will be our successor." much commented upon at the time, since it is known that Cardinal Sarro is a neutra nd has never been involved in ecclesiastica man and a profound churchman. He is an | Who Italian, born in 1835 and created Cardinal in

Since the Pope's illness has become grave,



Mrs. W. C. Cole Arrested for Shooting Mrs. George Hart at Hartsherne, I. T.

HUSBANDS JOINED IN BATTLE.

Cole Shot in the Side by Hart in a Duel at Close Range-Families Were Prominent in Social Circles.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. South McAlester, L. T., July II .- As a recult of a general family fight at Hartshorne ast evening. George Hart is under arrest charged with shooting W. C. Cole and Mrs. Cole is a prisoner charged with fatally

wounding Mrs. George Hart. The two women formerly were very close friends, but after a quarrel Mrs. Hart claimed that Mrs. Cole was slandering her. fight started. Both fell to the ground and Mrs. Cole drew a revolver from a traveling har and shot Mrs. Hart through the chest, ir fletling a wound that is considered fatal. Cole witnessed the tragedy. Henring th shots, Hart ran out from his home, armed with a pistol, and advanced toward Cole, who took the revolver from Mrs. Cole. A duel at close range followed. Eight shots were fired by the men. Cole was struck in the side, and another shot took effect in his arm. His wounds are serious.

The injured were brought here and placed in a hospital. Hart and Mrs. Cole were Late this evening Hart was taken to the gro waiters out of town, said: hospital to see his wife, as her recovery is very d ubiful. The families were neighbors and stood quite high in Hartshorne.

F. W. GUERIN DIES SUDDENLY AT HOME IN SAN FRANCISCO.

Former Well-Known St. Louis Photographer Succumbs to Heart Disease.

Telegraphic advices from San Francisco Cal., yesterday announced the death of F. W Guerfe, formerly a well-known photegrapher of this city.

Mr. Guerin's death was sudden and came es a shock to his many friends in St. Louis. Heart disease, it is said, was the cause of

Mr. Guerin had conducted studios in St. ouls for thirty-four years. His place at Twelfth street and Washington avenue was one of the best-appointed studios in the city. Later he moved to Twelfth and Olive streets, and about a year and a half igo to Olive street near Grand avenue. On January 1, last, he sold his business to the Gerhard Sisters, who had long been esociated with him, and removed to San Francisco with his family, in hopes that he change would improve his wife's health, Since leaving St. Louis Mr. Guerin had not engaged in business. He was preparng at the time of his death to visit St. Louis next month while on his way to the onvention of photographers at Indianap-

pen up a business Miss Mamie Gerhard received a letter r m Mr. Guerin about a week ago. At that time the writer said his health was very good, and that his wife was improv-

ells, Ind. After the convention it was his

intention to return to San Francisco and

ing nicely. Mr. Guerin was 53 years old and about car ago became a thirty-third degree maon. Five sons besides a widow, Mrs. Ella merin, survive him. They are John, Fitz W. Jr., George, Henry and Robert Guerin. It is probable that the funeral will take place from the family home, No. 2203 Fulton street, San Francisco, as there are no relatives buried at St. Louis.

GANTT WILL NOT RESIGN. Supreme Judge to Enter Campaign for Governor.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Jefferson City, Mo., July 11.-Judge James E. Gantt of the Supreme Court, who announced his candidacy for the Demo-cratic nomination for Governor, while at Clinton recently, returned home to-day He said to-day that he stands by the announcement and will make the race.
"Will you resign from the office of Su-preme Judge?" was asked.
"Not until the exigencies of the occasion

"Not until the exigencies of the occasion demand it," he replied, "I can serve on the bench and make the race as well as other gentlemen, who are mentioned for the nomination. If in the heat of a State canvas I should be compelled to neglect my duties as Supreme Judge, I shall certainly resign."

y discussed in Vetican circles.

"Hold him very dear, Percal, as in the fu-



CARDINAL GUISEPPE SARTO, Pope when Lee XIII dies. division of the leading candidates to succeed him a compromise may be effected by elect-

BATTLE WITH SWORDFISH SENDS MAN TO HOSPITAL

Finally Is Killed. REPUBLIC SPECIAL Block Island, July II .- After a terrific bat-

tle in a small boat with a swordfish weigh-

ing 500 pounds, Christian Norwaugh, a wellknown fisherman, is in the hospital with thirty inches of flesh torn from the bones of

But the swordfish is on ice. Norwaugh was one of a crew which sight ed the swordfish six miles off Block Island and headed for it. One harpoon was shot into the monster and it started away with When it reached the limit Norwaugh put off in a small boat to finish it. As he approached the fish it turned, dived deep and then, as Norwaugh stood in the stern, came upon the boat and thrust his

great sword through the bottom, transfixing the saflor's leg. Norwaugh tore himself free and gave battle to the fish, hammering the head of the monster as it darted to and fro, spearing the cont again and again. A rescue party arrived and Norwaugh was hauled out of his shattered bark. The fish attacked the rescue party, when Captain Dodge drove a lance into its head through the eyesocket. quieted him and the rescuers towed Mr.

Swordfish back to the cathoat. DEBS CONDEMNS ATTACK ON NEGROES AT LINTON.

Declares That Miners' Union Should Disavow All Connection With the Affair.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Terre Haute, Ind., July 11.-Eugene V Debs, the labor leader, in an interview to-

night on the work of a mob of union min-ers at Linton, Ind., in driving some ne-"The members of the miners' union cannot afford to bear the odium of such an outrage, and they owe it to themselves to disayow all connection with or responsibility to it. They can scarcely do less, in view of the fact that their organization is appealing to the negroes of Kentucky

and West Virginia to help them fight their battles "At this very hour President Mitchell is in Kansas assuring the negroes that the miners union is their friend and proposes to

recognize them on terms of equality. The Linton affair is an utter repudiation of the union's professions, and if unrebuked the negro will have no reason to regard the union in a friendly light. When the miners have another strike, can they blame the negroes if they take the places of the miners?"

OFFICE MEN'S CLUB OUTING. Arrangements Made for Big Programme at Highlands.

The management at Forest Park Highlands is making special efforts to insure the friends and members of the Office Men's Club, as well as the public, a day's entertainment on July 31. Colonel John D. Hopkins, manager of the amusement section at the pavilion, is arranging a theatrical bill for afternoon and evening that cannot fall

to fascinate the ciub's friends.

The best available talent has promised to assist in making this feature of the club day memorable in the Highlands' history.

The entire roof garden has been placed at the disposal of the visitors, and no cancing party of the season promises to be more successful. R. J. Parvin of the Office Men's Club is A. Faivin of the onice area s duo is giving this part of the programme special attention, while Richard Spanner is assist-ing Colonel Hopkins in the theatrical fea-tures. The matinee bill will begin at 3 p. m. This will give plenty of time for a basket picnic, which is contemplated.

HE WOULD ENJOIN THE CITY. Judge Richardson Opposes Evans-

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Evansville, Ind., July 11.-A suit was entered to-day by Judge Robert Richardson against Mayor Charles G. Covert and the city officials to enjoin the city from taking stock in the Municipal Telephone plant. Most of the money for the plant has been

ville Taking Telephone Stock.

The plaintiff contends the city has no right to take stock in the plant. Woman Commits Suicide.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Evansville, Ind., July 11.—Mrs. Willis Benefield committed suicide at Washington, Ind., to-day. She shot herself in the right temple. She was 20 years old and went to Washington a few days ago from Iteraham, Ill., to vie't her brother. No cause is assigned for her act.

Congruity.

Harth: "What was all the uproar about in the women's convention?"

Stark: "They were having an argument as to which of the candidates should receive the loving cup."—Smart Set.

POSTAL OFFICIALS CLASH WITH BOARD OF CIVIL SERVICE.

Flagrant Violation of Merit Laws Disclosed by Attempt of Commission to Fill Vacancies.

SERIOUS HITCH IN PLANS.

Ill Feeling Due to Order That List of Eligibles Must Be Furnished to Departments.

END OF INQUIRY IN SIGHT,

Payne Refuses to Deny or Confir the Report That He Is to Resign From the Cabinet.

Washington, July 11.-Application of rigid Civil-Service provisions and the special rulings of President Roosevelt to avoid the pitfalls disclosed in the postal service by the pending investigation promises to bring on a lively tilt between Post-Office officials and the Civil-Service Commissioners.

Complying with the instructions of the President that Civil-Service laws shall be observed both in the letter and spirit in the appointment of clerks and skilled laborers and messengers to the Post-Office service. the Civil-Service Commission now finds that there is a hitch in the plans.

The ruling which causes ill feeling be-ween Post-Office officials and the Civil-Service Board is one recently issued and provides that the commission shall furnish the Post-Office Department with a list of eligibles for skilled laborers from which appointments may be made. Some lively alterestion has already taken place over this ruling between the commission and the First Assistant's department. More glaring than the evidences of fraud

and loaded contracts have been the disclosures of Civil-Service violations in the postal service. Several conferences have taken place at which were present Commissioner Proctor of the Civil-Service Commission and Postmaster General Payne to obtain a better co-operation in applying the regulations. But the Civil-Service authorities state that

they have thus far not met with any great

encouragement in fulfilling the provision the law or the special ruling of the President issued last April. The system of patronage bestowal has become so strongly rooted that it will require several years before the postal service can be entirely divorced from politics and merit

lone count in appointments and pro tions. Postmaster General Payne now predicts that the end of the investigation is in sight and that there will not be much more food

for scandal mongers "The end of the Post-Office Department investigation is in sight," said Postmaster General Payne to-day. "It is impossible to set a definite limit, but what I mean is that the investigation has proceeded so far that we can see the end." Postmaster General Payne was also ap-

proached in regard to his resignation and would not definitely commit himself, ai-though admitting that his physical resources have been sadly taxed and that he is in need of a long rest.

Another good reason assigned is that the Postmaster General finds no comfort in the office from a remunerative point of view and that he is required to pay for his annual expenses in keeping up with his position socially and otherwise \$15,000 above his

income. Mr. Payne has quarters at the Arilington and his retirement would not entall the transfer of property.

Mr. Payne issued another fraud order today against the Garfield Musical Company
and the Great Western Musical Company
and the Great Western Musical Company both of Chicago. The concerns advertised that in return for a certain sum of money they would send a choice selection of choice sheet music. Subscribers received instead

cheaply printed pamphlets of songs. Third Assistant Madden has sent a letter to the Postmaster General in which he apologizes for having written the offensive letter from Detroit denying his connection with the carbon-paper contract awarded to the General Manifold Company, which is now being made the subject of a special investigation by Mr. Bristow.

MARRIAGE OF HOSPITAL OFFICIALS A SURPRISE.

Engagement of Doctor Bram, Interne, and Mrs. Ina Ewing, Treasurer, Was Not Suspected.

Attaches of the St. Louis Hospital Ticket Association, No. 2005 Bell avenue, were aware of the fact that Mrs. Ina M. Ewing. the treasurer of the institution, and Doctor John C. Bram, a young interne, had departed on their respective vacations within the last few days, but not until yesterday was it known to intimate associates that was it known to intimate associates that
the couple were married on Thursday night.
Doctor Bram has been the assistant to
Superintendent O. C. Raines for the last two
years, and Mrs. Ewing, a relative of Doctor Raines, has been busily engaged the
while as treasurer. Yet no one about the
hospital surmised that there was anything
the the professional interest in the armore than professional interest in the attentions Doctor Bram paid to his fair asscelate.

Mrs. Ewing's mother, who lives at the hospital, was informed of her daughter's en-gagement and marriage, but kept the secret and intended to say nothing until the bridal couple returned. In some manner the fact became known.

Last week there was talk about holidays. Doctor Bram decided he would like to go at once. Some one suggested that Mrs. Ewing needed rest. Superintendent Raines thought it was a good idea. Doctor Bram coincided perfectly in the diagnosis. Just when and where Cupid shot his final dart with his "Now's your Chance" message wrapped about the shaft was not told.

The Reverend Doctor Anderson of the Grand Avenue Baptist Church was called into consultation and agreed that heroic measures were necessary for the happiness of the twain, and Thursday evening they were married. It was all very quiet.

Doctor and Mrs. Bram went to Kanses City for a short honeymoon, and will return to the hospital, the bride's relatives state